



General Assembly

***Substitute Bill No. 5340***

*February Session, 2010*

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***AN ACT CONCERNING PRIZES FOR TEACUP RAFFLES.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. Subsection (e) of section 7-185a of the general statutes is  
2       repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
3       *October 1, 2010*):

4       (e) Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 7-170 to 7-186,  
5       inclusive, as amended by this act, and the regulations adopted  
6       [thereunder] pursuant to said sections, any organization conducting a  
7       bazaar may operate a "teacup raffle" and may, through the sale of  
8       chances, award prizes consisting of gift certificates or merchandise,  
9       each not exceeding [one hundred] two hundred fifty dollars in value.  
10      [through the sale of chances.] No such organization may conduct more  
11      than one scheduled "teacup raffle" drawing for all prizes offered on  
12      any day on which a bazaar is permitted. A "teacup raffle" shall be  
13      operated from an authorized bazaar booth, and shall be subject to  
14      regulation by the executive director of the Division of Special Revenue.  
15      Each "teacup raffle" ticket shall (1) be consecutively numbered and  
16      have a correspondingly numbered stub that shall include the name,  
17      address and telephone number of the purchaser, or (2) be a sheet  
18      containing up to twenty-five coupons, each bearing the same number,  
19      and including a "hold" stub for the purchaser and a correspondingly  
20      numbered stub including the name, address and telephone number of

21 the purchaser. The Division of Special Revenue shall be the sole issuer  
22 of sheet tickets which shall be made available for purchase by  
23 permittees as fund raising items at a price not to exceed ten per cent  
24 above the state purchase price. Each sponsoring organization  
25 conducting such raffle shall conspicuously post, at each bazaar booth  
26 at which such raffle is conducted, a notice or notices that include the  
27 date and time of any "teacup raffle" drawing. The sponsoring  
28 organization shall preserve all sold and unsold tickets or stubs for a  
29 period of at least one year from the date of the verified statement  
30 required pursuant to section 7-182.

31 Sec. 2. Section 7-177 of the 2010 supplement to the general statutes is  
32 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
33 *October 1, 2010*):

34 (a) All prizes given at any bazaar or raffle shall be merchandise,  
35 tangible personal property or a ticket, coupon or gift certificate,  
36 entitling the winner to merchandise, tangible personal property,  
37 services, transportation on a common carrier by land, water or air and  
38 to any tour facilities provided in connection therewith, or to  
39 participation in a lottery conducted under chapter 226. Such ticket,  
40 coupon or gift certificate shall not be refundable or transferable. No  
41 cash prizes or prizes consisting of alcoholic liquor shall be given,  
42 except as provided in subsection (b) of this section and section 7-177a,  
43 and no prize shall be redeemed or redeemable for cash, except tickets  
44 for a lottery conducted under chapter 226 or gift certificates awarded  
45 in accordance with subsection (e) of section 7-185a, as amended by this  
46 act. For the purposes of this section, coins whose trading value exceeds  
47 their face value and coins not commonly in circulation shall not be  
48 deemed a cash prize.

49 (b) Any sponsoring organization authorized to conduct a bazaar  
50 pursuant to section 7-172 may award cash prizes not to exceed fifty  
51 dollars each in connection with the playing of a blower ball game. For  
52 purposes of this subsection "blower ball game" means a game of  
53 chance where the players wager on a color or number and the winner

54 is determined by the drawing of a colored or numbered ball from a  
55 mechanical ball blower that mixes ping pong balls with blown air.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	7-185a(e)
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2010</i>	7-177

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